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July 29, 1953

My dear Mr. Schwab:

This is to put into writing for the sake of the record the up-to-date information which we agreed, when Dr. Armstrong and I visited at Haines, that you would secure from Mr. Muncester:

1. A revised survey showing the location of the second tract deed to the school board and the tract secured by the A.C.S. Also, the new lines for Main Street and Third Avenue.
2. A lay-out for possible building lots on both sides of Third Avenue and also along the Haines cut-off from Third Avenue to the property taken by the government during the war.
3. A lay-out for the possible extension of Third Avenue to the Post.

It was understood that "2" and "3" above would be considered confidential material for Board use only.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladgelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

KEM:MBB

CC Dr. Armstrong

Rev. D. A. Schwab
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

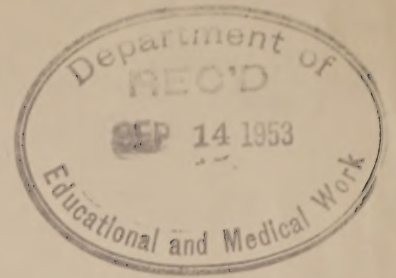
Haines House

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Rev. Donald A. Schwab, Director

Sept 8, 1953

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Ave.
New York 10, N.Y.

My dear Miss Gladfelter:

I inclose herewith the proposal for the division of lots which we discussed last May. Mr. Muncaster brought it in last week, but with the rush of the opening of school I did not know it was here, and he and I went over it last night.

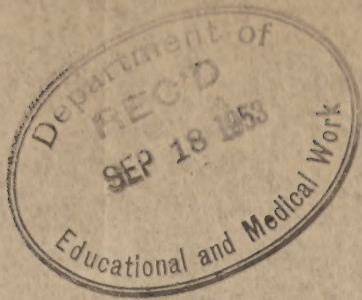
All of the suggestions look good to me. Of course if the school should not be interested in the area left for them, we might want to leave some street access roads into the area. However, after school opened today, with 152 children in school, I am positive that they will immediately be planning on a building program: they just don't have room for all the children!

Mr. Heinmiller was in ~~several~~ days ago, and Port Chilkoot is anxious for us to set aside a continuation of Third Ave. running up to the upper corner of "the Post" and will do likewise. I asked Mr. Muncaster to sketch this in too, as we agreed, when you were here.

I did not retain any copies of the sketch. Would you please return it to Mr. Muncaster for completion if, and when, it is approved. You will note he has corrected the A.C.S. tract, and added Willard Cottage. He has not presented us with a bill, but will do so if and when you wish the lots staked.

[With reference to the proposed boat harbor, as referred to in your letter of August 28: The location sketched on the map I sent Mr. Tribus, is the only location available, since all land north of this spot is already built up. I discussed the matter with Mr. Muncaster, and his comment is that the area is not larger than needed for the approach, (i.e. 150 ft of beach front) because the topography of the land is hilly, and to prevent accidents at the foot of Main St. this large an area is needed for roads, parking, etc. The actual pier running into the bay is supposed to run to the ^{east, then} north, because of prevailing winds, and not in front of our property.]

Very sincerely yours,



Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

September 14, 1953

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Department of Educational & Medical Work
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue, New York

Dear Miss Gladfelter:

Following the suggestions made when you were last in Haines, we have held meetings of the Trustees and of the Session of Haines Presbyterian Church, and have drafted the following requests.

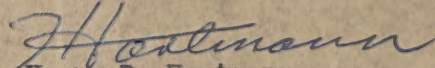
- 1) Whereas there seems to be no formal record of any lands or property being set aside specifically for church use, we make request of the Board of National Missions that on its maps, plats, and records the land now occupied by the church and manse of Haines Presbyterian Church be designated for church use: namely, the land along Main Street, easterly from the present Mission driveway as far as the manse driveway, and extending in depth in a southerly direction to the line of the fence which formerly set off the manse property from Haines House. This property would measure approximately 250' frontage and 120' in depth.
- 2) To provide for future expansion of Haines Presbyterian Church, we make request to the Board of National Missions that additional land adjoining the present church land be set aside, specifically the property along Main Street lying between the present Mission driveway and Second Avenue extended, a frontage of approximately 250' or more, and to a depth along Second Avenue extended, of 300' if possible. It would be understood that the Mission would continue to use the land for farm purposes until the possibility of church building should make a transfer necessary. However, as a secondary request, the church would beg the permission immediately to: a) erect a suitable sign or notice identifying the land as the "Future site of expanded facilities of Haines Presbyterian Church; and b) develop a portion of the land as a church parking area, probably the corner nearest the present church building. In token of good faith, the Trustees would immediately inaugurate a "Building Fund" to be set aside and added to, in preparation for future growth.
- 3) To provide for present needs, a growing Sunday School and active youth and adult programs, the Church further requests that the building known as "The Recreation Hall" now situated on the Haines House 'campus', and seldom used under the existing Haines House program, be released to the Church, with permission to move it to a site on church lands near the present church building, for use as a parish hall. It would be understood that this arrangement would in no wise remove the building from the vicinity of Haines House, or interfere with its present use by the mission as a place for occasional parties and recreational programs; in fact, a new situation would, in the opinion of those who have discussed it, make its use by Haines House easier and safer. In addition, it would eliminate the use of Haines House itself for classes of

the Haines Presbyterian Sunday School, an arrangement which is not without inconvenience to both the mission and the church.

The above requests should, of course, be subject to the scrutiny, comment, criticism, and approval of Dr. Jackman; a copy is being sent him.

Of the above suggestions, the third is the one most pressing, though all are strategically important at the moment. May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,


Henry D. Hartmann
for the Session and Trustees
Haines Presbyterian Church

cc: Dr Jackman
Dr Armstrong

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September 16, 1953

My dear Mr. Schwab:

This is to acknowledge your letter of September 8, sending Mr. Muncaster's layout for a possible further division of the Haines property.

For the present we will hold this, waiting to see what develops with respect to the additional land which the School Board was to try to secure from the government.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Rev. Donald A. Schwab
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

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September 22, 1953

Mr. Henry D. Hartmann
Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

My dear Mr. Hartmann:

We have received your letter of September 14, and are very glad to know that the Trustees and the Session of Haines Presbyterian Church have been doing some planning for the future program in terms of both property and equipment.

Since it is hard to visualize just how much land is included in the requests #1 and #2 in your letter, we are now returning to Mr. Schwab a plat of the property which was made by Mr. Muncaster, and are asking that the property in which the church is ~~located~~ ^{indicated} be indicated on this. When the plat is returned to us, we shall then be glad to discuss your specific request with Dr. Jackman.

In writing Mr. Schwab, we are taking up with him the third proposal in your letter, relative to the Recreation hall.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

KEG:mr

cc: Mr. Schwab
Dr. Jackman
Dr. Armstrong

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September 22, 1953

My dear Mr. Schwab:

You probably are one of the trustee or a member of the session of the Haines church, and so know first hand about the request in a letter of September 14 from Mr. Hartman. However, just to make it official, between our department and Haines House, I am now enclosing a copy of this letter, and also one of our reply.

I am also returning Mr. Muncaster's layout showing a possible subdivision with the request that Mr. Muncaster indicate on this, the property referred to in sections 1 and 2, of Mr. Hartmann's letter.

Relative to the third request, namely, that we turn over the recreation hall, to what extent is this building now used in the Haines House program? Also, could our needs be met by a joint use of the building with the church if the building were moved to church property as Mr. Hartmann requests?

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Rev. Donald A. Schwab
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

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cc: Dr. Armstrong

Haines House

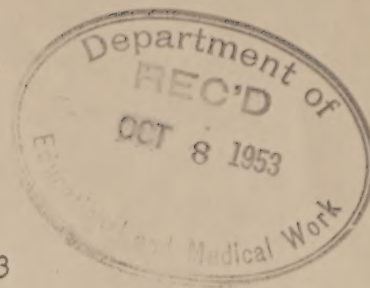
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Rev. Donald A. Schwab, Director



October 3, 1953

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Ave.
New York 10, N.Y.

My dear Miss Gladfelter:

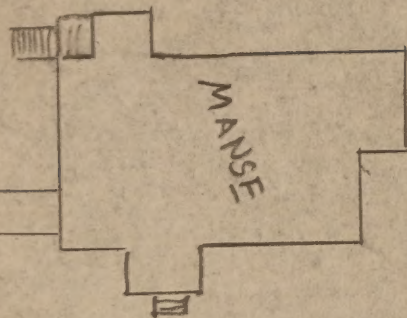
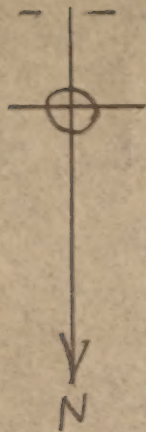
This will reply to your letter of Sept. 22, with reference to the Haines Presbyterian Church request to move our recreation hall to become a part of the church. Since I am a minister I can neither be a member of the Session or a Trustee, & the action of the church was taken without my knowledge. I am very glad for a copy of Mr. Hartmann's letter for our files. I was discussing some of the buildings with one of the trustees, and discovered that there had been this action, so have talked with Mr. Hartmann about it. Last night we spent several hours together correlating some suggestions we have with reference to a division of the property referred to in sections 1 & 2 of Mr. Hartmann's letter. I am sending you a tentative sketch, but we agreed last night that we should wait a week when we will be together with Dr. Armstrong, and correlate our ideas with any he might have. I feel that we should have some definite plans of our own for the landscaping of our own property adjoining that which the church will want, so that we can consider the planning as a unit rather than piecemeal. For example, our corner on Front St. and Main, below the manse, should be planned for some use, so that there will not be a demand for its sale at some future time, and blocking our view. Accordingly, I shall send you some sketches of our joint thinking sometime immediately after the Presbytery meeting at Sitka. This will include a layout showing a possible sub-division of property.

With reference to the recreation hall: I am heartily in favor of this. I understand that Dr. Armstrong and Mr. Hartmann discussed this as a possibility when they were in Juneau. We use the building only a limited amount. Some for big parties, some for 4-H, and some for storage. If we were to move the "chicken house" (which must be moved anyway for appearances sake) back near the tool shed, it would be ample for the storage of beds, etc. The location of the rec. hall where it now is, is not the best. When we use it for 4-H, or Scouts, there is enough outside noise to disturb the small kiddies who should be sleeping. A much better location would be up next to the church, for everyone concerned. And the statement: "this arrangement would in no wise remove the building from the vicinity of Haines House, or interfere with its present use as a place for occasional parties" certainly is fair enough so that we could use it for a party occasionally. I much favor our children fitting into a church and community program, than for isolated meetings. But the biggest argument for its use will be for Sunday School purposes. While we are happy to have S.S. classes at Haines House, it is much better for it to be near the church than to have the group divided, which is now necessary. Last Sunday's attendance (rally day) was approximately 130, and something must be done this fall for more space for class rooms. I am happy to give my OK to the proposal.

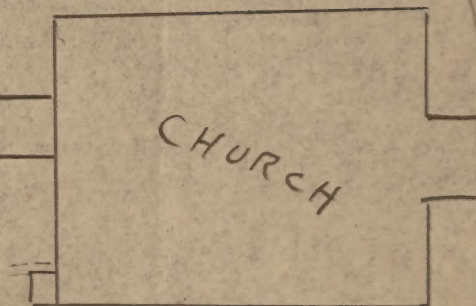
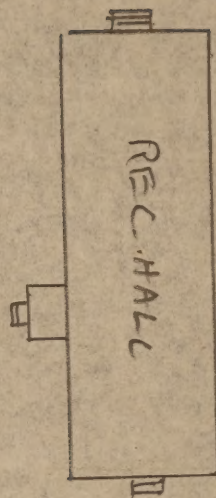
PS We would like to move the building this fall.
cc: Dr. Armstrong
Rev. H. Hartmann

Very sincerely yours,

Donald A. Schwab



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MAIN ST.

Officer

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October 9, 1953

Law
My dear Mr. Schwab:

In Miss Gladfelter's absence on a short field trip, I am acknowledging your letter of October 3 answering her question about the request of the pastor and church officials for the moving of the Recreation Hall and a new site for the church. Thank you very much for the sketches which you enclosed. These will prove very helpful in considering the question.

We shall hold your letter and the material sent with it for Miss Gladfelter to see upon her return to the office about October 20. She will write you after that giving her decision.

Very sincerely yours,

Florence M. Coddard
Assistant in the Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Mr. Donald A. Schwab
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

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October 20, 1953

Mr. Henry D. Hartmann
Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

My dear Mr. Hartmann:

As promised in our letter of September 22 we have consulted Mr. Schwab about the request of the church that the recreation hall at Haines House be turned over to the church and moved near the present church building, for use as a parish hall.

Mr. Schwab has heartily endorsed this proposal and so this letter, a copy of which is being sent to Mr. Schwab, is your joint authorization to move the building.

We are holding the question of property until we hear again from Mr. Schwab, since he indicated in his letter of October 3 that you and he had agreed to talk with Dr. Armstrong during the meeting of Presbytery and then submit a unified proposal for the future landscaping and layout of the church and Home property.

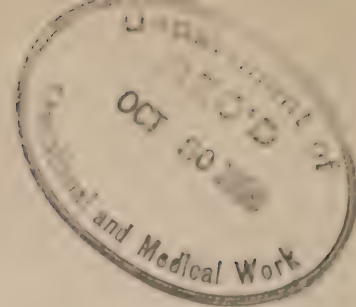
Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
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KEG:mr

cc: Mr. Schwab
Dr. Jackman
Dr. Armstrong

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Rev. Donald A. Schwab, Director

October 27, 1953

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter,
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Ave.
New York 10, N. Y.

My dear Miss Gladfelter:

I am returning herewith the proposed subdivision by Mr. Muncaster. Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Hartmann and I have gone over this and recommend the enclosed subdivision for the church property. Since Lot B-1 is listed as a corner lot, we have left space for Second Street to continue should there be a need for this. We also feel there should be a back alley running to Haines House because of snow conditions in the winter. Since Mr. Muncaster has been in Skagway, I drew the sketch myself following the same scale he used.

[Since there is still interest shown in a proposed boat harbor, I have left this on the sketch. Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Hartmann and I are all of the opinion that the location of a harbor at this spot will increase the value of our property and do nothing to spoil our view. There is talk of acquiring the property even if they have to condemn it. Dr. Armstrong made the suggestion to me that it might be a good idea for us to offer to deed fifty or one hundred feet of beach front if the city and territory would buy the property directly north. i.e. This would cost them no more than buying from us and would eliminate Harry's Bar.]

Very sincerely yours,

D. A. Schwab

cc: Dr. Armstrong

P.S. After writing this letter, Mr. Muncaster stopped in to see me and looked at the proposed sketch. He suggested that this block conform with the others leaving a full street instead of an alley at least as far as the playground.

November 10, 1953

My dear Mr. Schwab:

This is to acknowledge your letter of October 26, sending the proposed subdivision made by Mr. Muncaster.

Dr. Jackman is out of the office at the present time, so we shall have to hold consideration of the recommendation regarding the property to be held for the church. We will try to have a conference with him as soon as he returns and then write you again.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Rev. Donald A. Schwab
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

KHG:mr

cc: The Rev. H. Hartmann

This area conforms with
Mr. Muncaster's layout

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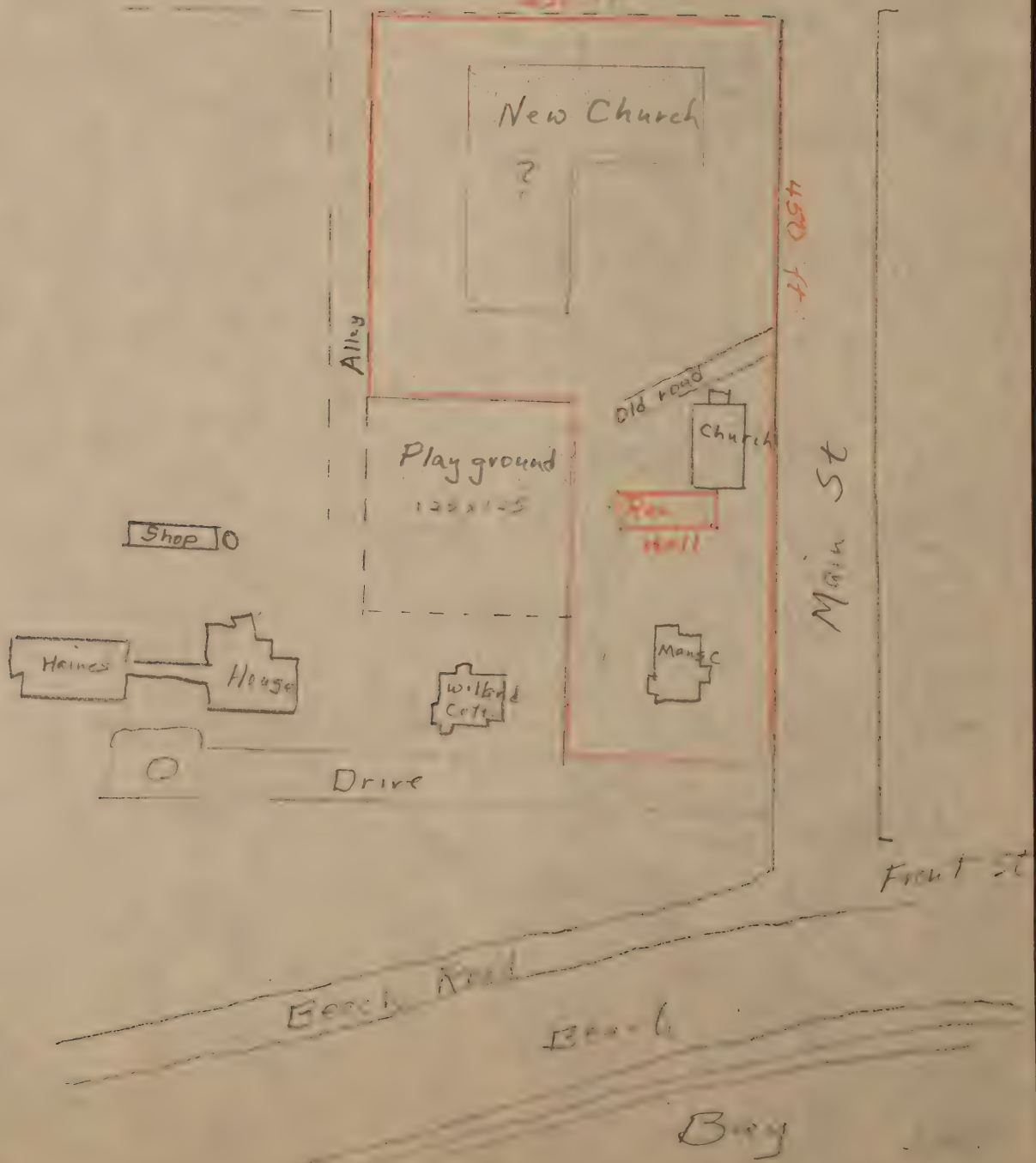
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Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue New York 10, N. Y.

December 2, 1953

The Rev. Henry D. Hartmann
Haines, Alaska



Dear Hank:

Following the receipt of letters from you and Donald Schwab Miss Gladfelter and I have had a conference concerning lands which might be made available and designated for the Haines Presbyterian Church. Also we have had a conference with Dr. Morse and Dr. Sharp regarding the whole question of the development of the mission property in Haines. It is the judgment of all four of us, upon the recommendation of Miss Gladfelter, that a competent real estate man be asked to study the use or use and disposal of the entire property. In light of developments which seem to be coming in that area it seems wise to lay out a plan with some recommendation on what property we should keep and what should be sold or leased.

Several years ago we discussed the future location of the church. It was felt that it should be near the center of the developments with sufficient ground around it for a church building, a ramp and sufficient parking space. With the extension of 3rd Ave. through to the Port it seemed wise then to reserve land on the east side of 3rd Ave. and south of Main St. This would make it in between and accessible to both communities for future development. Since the Army dock has been built on the waterfront it is quite possible that there will be additional housing development in that area and the location on Main St. which you have indicated on your map may be the better one.

Pending this proposed study of the entire property, we believe the Board will be willing to set aside a definite amount of land in a favorable position for the use of the church. If the community should remain approximately the present size, the land could be held by the Board for the use of the church. If pending developments come which would greatly increase the size of the community and also the ability of the church to bear a larger responsibility, it is possible that the Board would be willing to deed this land to the church or Presbytery for church purposes. In the latter case our investment in it would be recorded as a grant loan mortgage against it to protect the investment of Presbyterian funds in the property.

Word that we get from Armstrong's about you indicate that the health of the family is much better and we rejoice in that information. Kindest personal regards to each one of you.

Cordially yours,

EJ
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Dept. of Work in Alaska

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CC: Miss Gladfelter ✓
Dr. R. Rolland Armstrong
The Rev. Donald Schwab

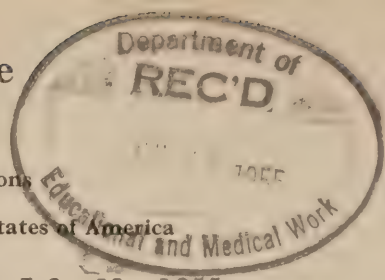
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July 11, 1955

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of Educational
and Medical Work
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N.Y.

Dear Miss Gladfelter:

Rev. Hartman was discussing with me the property that he had requested sometime ago for church purposes. I do not know what steps have been taken along this line, but I do feel that some provision should be made on the north side of Willard Cottage for a yard - possibly a garage, small garden, and clothesline space. According to Rev. Hartman, he has asked for all but a few feet between the manse and the executive cottage. Our cottage is located too close to Haines House to warrant any ground in that area. Sometime, we shall certainly want to landscape the front of the cottage. The back of the cottage seems to lend itself poorly for the purposes mentioned above.

Perhaps you have already foreseen this need, but I thought it wise to mention it before final steps were taken in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Allan H. Frank

Allan H. Frank
Director

AHF:rn

July 20, 1955

My dear Mr. Frank:

I am considerably puzzled by the comment in your letter of July 11 relative to property desired for church purposes, that ~~the~~ Reverend Hartman gave you the understanding that he has asked for all but a few feet between the manse and the Executive's Cottage.

I recalled, of course, that we had had correspondence about future layout, and I am now enclosing copies of a sketch which Mr. Schwab sent us late in the fall of 1953 together with a copy of a letter which Dr. Jackman wrote Mr. Hartman on December 2, 1953. As you will see from the latter, no definite agreement has been reached and while we expect to include the future needs of the church in our planning for the use of the property no specific commitment has been made.

Actually, the sketch and Dr. Jackman's letter do not agree since the letter proposes a site on Third Avenue, South of Main Street rather than directly on Main Street as shown in the sketch. For the present, we assure you that the needs you mentioned in your letter for yard space for Willard Cottage will certainly be included in any final planning.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Mr. Allan Frank
Haines House
Haines, Alaska

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Encs. — Copy of Dr. Jackman's Letter to Mr. Hartman
Copy of Sketch

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Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

January 17, 1956

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Dept of Educational and Medical Work
156 Fifth Avenue, New York

Dear Miss Gladfelter:

On September 14, 1953, we made request to your department that (among other things) the land on which the church, manse and rec hall are now situated be separated from the Haines House lands for church use, and that the adjoining area on Main Street also be set aside for future expansion.

To date, no concrete progress has been made, so we are writing again, in the hope that you will take action. Specific requests are as follows:

- 1) That the general area on which the church properties are situated be set aside for church use, perhaps under the Department of Work in Alaska. This is the section marked "A" in the accompanying sketch. Without hiring a surveyor to provide exact details, it is possible to make a fairly definite description by including the Main street frontage easterly from the junction with the service road to Haines House, as far as the driveway entrance to the manse (distance approximately 250-270 feet). ((If desirable, the property could be made to run farther, as far as the Beach road. The above is the minimum.)) The depth of this piece should be in the neighborhood of 125 feet, average. ((We would prefer an irregular line, starting with a depth of 150 feet at the western side and changing to 125 feet to avoid the Willard Cottage grounds)). The most desirable arrangement would be for us to have permission to work out the line agreeably with the director of Haines House, without the necessity of costly surveys or traveling experts.
- 2) That additional ground for church expansion be set aside on the Main Street frontage to the west of the present church. This is the section marked "B" in the accompanying sketch. Our request is for the frontage between the present church and Second Avenue extended, to a depth of at least 150 feet (which is not really adequate) and if possible to a depth of 200 or even 300 feet. This is still a strategic location for the church, and ought to be preserved for the church amid all the changes and rumored changes.
- 3) Even failing of the above #2, that in any event the church be given permission immediately to develop a parking area contiguous to the church property in the angle formed by the Haines House approach road and Main Street.

May we hear favorable from you on these proposals?

Sincerely

H. D. Hartmann
Henry D. Hartmann

cc Dr Jackman
Dr Armstrong

Hand-drawn map of a city block. The map shows a grid of streets and lots. The streets are labeled as follows:

- Vertical Streets (from left to right):** SIXTH AVE, FIFTH AVE, FOURTH AVE, THIRD AVE, SECOND AVE.
- Horizontal Streets (from top to bottom):** VIEW ST., UNION ST., DALTON ST., MAIN STREET, FRONT ST.
- Other Streets:** HAINES HIGHWAY (at the bottom, curving from left to right).

The map shows a grid of lots. Some lots are labeled with letters:

- Top Left:** A lot labeled 'S'.
- Top Middle:** A lot labeled 'A'.
- Top Right:** A lot labeled 'A'.
- Middle Left:** A lot labeled 'S'.
- Middle Middle:** A lot labeled 'A'.
- Middle Right:** A lot labeled 'A'.
- Bottom Left:** A lot labeled 'S'.
- Bottom Middle:** A lot labeled 'A'.
- Bottom Right:** A lot labeled 'A'.

There are also several small buildings drawn on the map, particularly along the HAINES HIGHWAY and near the FRONT ST. intersection. A river is shown on the right side of the map, flowing from top to bottom.

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January 18, 1956

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Allan H. Frank, Executive

Miss Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

JAN 23 1956

Dear Miss Gladfelter:

[Rev. Henry Hartmann came to me with a statement last night which I felt should be passed on to you even though he is notifying Dr. Jackman and Mr. Tribus.

A certain business man in the town of Haines, who does not wish to have his name disclosed, was doing some research regarding legal aspects of various properties and discovered that several pieces of property including Haines Mission had never been annexed to the city of Haines. It is my understanding that he contacted the City Council about this and they were unable to find anything that we are a part of the city.

I have not had time to look through our files regarding this but it would have been an interesting piece of information during the time of the Small Boat Harbor affair.]

Sincerely yours,

Allan H. Frank

Allan H. Frank

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Mr. Tribus
Miss Gladfelter
Haines House Property

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February 6, 1956

Mr. Hartman has probably written you about the question relative to the non-inclusion of some of the Haines Mission property in the city of Haines, but just to be sure, this is to quote the following letter received from Mr. Frank:

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Katherine E. Gladfelter

KEG:tc
cc: Mr. Frank

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February 3, 1956

My dear Mr. Hartmann

On receiving your letter of January 17 about the property on Main Street which you would like to see set aside for the use of the church we referred back to the correspondence of 1953.

No action has been taken on the earlier request in part because the proposed study of the entire Haines House property is still pending (it is now scheduled for this coming May when Mr. Cox, a member of the Board, Mr. Tribus and I hope to visit Haines) and in part because Dr. Jackman felt as he wrote you in December 1953 that a Third Street location which had been discussed previously should also be considered.

I have now just talked with Dr. Jackman over the telephone and find that he is agreeable to the Main Street proposal. We in this Department are entirely sympathetic with the desire of the church members to have a larger area for which you can plan and be responsible. However now that the study is definitely scheduled it seems to us that the future needs of the church and of Haines House should be considered together rather than piece meal. We would prefer therefore to wait until May when on the spot decisions can, we hope, be made.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

Mr. Henry D. Hartmann
Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

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c.c. - Mr. Frank
- Dr. Jackman
- Dr. Armstrong

FEB 14 1956

Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

February 9, 1956

Miss Katharine Gladfelter
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue, New York

My Dear Miss Gladfelter:

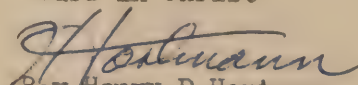
Thank you for so prompt a reply to my letter of January 17. You have given me confidence that the matter will proceed.

However, I should have preferred to be on hand when the survey and discussion over the future of the Haines House property will be made. Since I expect to be ~~leaving~~ for the states on my furlough sometime in May, it would seem that there is a very good possibility that I might not be on hand at that time- though of course you have named no date.

Furthermore, it seems to me that our first request should not require a survey or discussion. It is simply that the land on which the church and manse stand should be set aside for church use. The church is already on the spot, likewise the manse: they are not going to be moved without a great deal of fuss and bother! You speak of "the desire of the church members to have a larger area..." but please do not forget that we cannot have a larger area until we have some area! At one time a fence line existed between the properties, and its route can still be traced (it also shows on some photographs). The Willard Cottage was built close against where the fence used to run: in short, our congregation has no assurance that future building will not encroach further and further on the environs of the church! May we hear from you regarding this request?

I agree with you that "the future needs of the church and of Haines House should be considered together..." And to this end I trust that they can be considered together by Ed and Ned, Work in Alaska and the officers of the local church. To date most discussions regarding property have not considered the church, and have been carried on with the one group in the community that has nothing to do with the church! The church people in Haines, Miss Gladfelter, outnumber the barflies! And even among the latter the church is valued and appreciated. We believe that the Church represents a fairer, more democratic cross section of local interest and opinion than the City Council. May we be counted in, this time?

Yours in Christ


Rev Henry D Hartmann

cc Dr Jackman
Dr Armstrong

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Re. Haines
New Party
February 24, 1956

Rev. Henry D. Hartmann
Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

My dear Mr. Hartmann:

We are sorry to learn from your letter of February 19 that you may not be in Haines toward the end of May when Mr. Cox, Mr. Tribus and I expect to be there.

I wish that I could suggest moving the dates up but they have been set around Mr. Cox's schedule and late in May is the only time he can be available.

It is true that a survey or discussion is not needed to determine the basic ^{question} of setting aside the land on which the church and manse stand for church use. However discussion is needed to determine just which land should be so set aside in relation to overall planning and a survey of this area is then needed so that the church will know exactly what it is responsible for. I feel sure that it will not be too difficult to arrive at some basic agreements and assure you that we will see that a representative of the Session is included in our basic discussions.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

KEG/cg

c.c. Dr. Jackman
Dr. Armstrong
Mr. Frank
Mr. Tribus

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE
BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

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TO Miss Gladfelter
FROM Department of Work in Alaska
RE: Lot on Main Street - Haines for Parking

DATE April 2, 1956

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The drainage on Main Street in front of the church in Haines has cut into the bank so deeply that parking has become hazardous. They need space for off street parking and are asking that our lot on Main Street, west of the driveway entrance to Haines House, be made available for this. If we give permission the local people will move the fence back around this lot, scrape the sod off with a dozer and have the lot available for off street parking for church people at all times and for shoppers during business hours. We would recommend this permission be granted temporarily without any long term commitment regarding the future disposition of the land.

We understand that a Committee will visit Haines in May to study the question of what land will be retained and what will be offered for sale. This permission for parking space need not interfere with a future decision on the disposition of this land but the church is now asking that this particular lot be reserved specifically for use of the church for future expansion. To grant permission now for parking could but need not encourage the church to receive it for permanent use. That decision would be reserved until after the Committee completes its study.

JEJ:dj
cc: Dr. Sharp
Mr. Tribus

J. Earl Jackman
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Department of Work in Alaska

Dictated by Dr. Jackman on
the field; signed in his absence.

Not presented

MEMORANDUM TO THE CABINET OF THE DIVISION OF MISSIONARY OPERATION

From: Department of Work in Alaska

Date: April 2, 1956

Category: _____

Project: A lot for parking space for church in Haines, Alaska

The drainage on Main Street in Haines, Alaska has cut into the bank in front of our church so deeply that parking of cars there has become hazardous and there isn't enough space. The officers of the church are requesting permission to use our lot facing Main Street, immediately, to the west of the church and the driveway entrance to Haines house for off street parking. They propose to relocate the existing fence around the back of the lot, scrape the sod off with a bulldozer and have an open entrance to the lot from Main Street for off street parking.

The Department of Alaska recommends that permission be granted the Haines Church to use this lot for off street parking under the conditions named above.

✓ JEW:dj
cc: Miss Gladfelter
Mr. Tribus

Not presented
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Department of Work in Alaska

*This recommendation might better come from the Department of Educational and Medical Work because the Haines property has been used largely for their work but the church needs the use of more land. Either Department can make the recommendation for favorable action.

Cabinet Action:

Sec. _____ Date _____

Dr. Jackman
Katharine E. Gladfelter
Parking - Lot on Main Street, Haines, Alaska

April 23, 1956

Now that you are back in the office we want to take up with you the request from the church in Haines for the use of some of the Board owned property on Main Street, west of the driveway entrance to Haines House, as a parking lot.

We understand that the church is ready to move the fence back around the lot, scrape the sod off with a bulldozer, and prepare the lot for use both by church people at all times and for shoppers during business hours.

We are entirely sympathetic personally with the desire of the church group for a parking area, however any space to be so assigned should actually be marked out by a survey so we would prefer not to make the proposed arrangement until after the visit which Mr. Cox, Mr. Tribus and I expect to make to Haines toward the end of May. The purpose of this visit is, as you know, to try to do some overall long range planning for the use of our property with special reference to the needs of Haines House and of the church. The help of a surveyor will undoubtedly be needed and Mr. Tribus has asked Mr. Muncester to try to arrange to be in Haines during our visit. We would prefer therefore to hold the request from the church for consideration when we are in Haines.

We shall of course be glad to have the thinking of the church group about the future needs of the church for property as we want to be sure that their interests as well as those of Haines House are fully protected in any long range planning. I am sure therefore that we will wish to meet with the Session and Trustees so that they can share their thinking.

KEG/cg

c.c. - Dr. Sharp
- Mr. Tribus

W Miss Gladfelter : 6/15/56
Thanks for sharing this
with me
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Dr. Jackman
Katharine E. Gladfelter

June 7, 1956

Here is my copy of the report which the session of the Haines Church presented to Mr. Cox, Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Tribus and me on May 26.

As it was discussed we pointed out that the new area requested is very large in size and would take the most valuable section of the property. We stressed that we wanted adequate provision made for a new site but recommended reconsideration to see whether a smaller area would not be satisfactory. In this connection we suggested that another location might be found for the parking lot.

In connection with the request for the use of more land at the present site we indicated general approval. Later when we measured the areas with Mr. Muncaster it was our judgment that a depth of 110ft. for the manse and church should be adequate and a depth of 50 ft. for the parking lot. The local group has not yet been told this as we are awaiting their restudy and Mr. Muncaster's survey.

We explained to the Session that any property made available would be for church purposes only and that title would revert to the Board should use for this purpose be discontinued.

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attach.

Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

January 17, 1956

C O P Y

Dear Miss Gladfelter:

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To date, no concrete progress has been made, so we are writing again, in the hope that you will take action. Specific requests are as follows:

1) That the general area on which the church properties are situated be set aside for church use, perhaps under the Department of Work in Alaska. This is the section marked "A" in the accompanying sketch. Without hiring a surveyor to provide exact details, it is possible to make a fairly definite description by including the Main street frontage easterly from the junction with the service road to Haines House, as far as the driveway entrance to the manse (distance approximately 250-270 feet). ((If desirable, the property could be made to run farther, as far as the Beach road. The above is the minimum.)) The depth of this piece should be in the neighborhood of 125 feet, average. ((We would prefer an irregular line, starting with a depth of 150 feet at the western side and changing to 125 feet to avoid the Willard Cottage grounds.)) The most desirable arrangement would be for us to have permission to work out the line agreeably with the director of Haines House, without the necessity of costly surveys or traveling experts.

2) That additional ground for church expansion be set aside on the Main Street frontage to the west of the present church. This is the section marked "B" in the accompanying sketch. Our request is for the frontage between the present church and Second Avenue extended, to a depth of at least 150 feet (which is not really adequate) and if possible to a depth of 200 or even 300 feet. This is still a strategic location for the church, and ought to be preserved for the church amid all the changes and rumored changes.

3) Even failing of the above #2, that in any event the church be given permission immediately to develop a parking area contiguous to the church property in the angle formed by the Haines House approach road and Main Street.

May we hear favorable from you on these proposals?

Sincerely,

Henry D. Hartmann

cc: Dr. Jackman
Dr. Armstrong

Haines Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

January 17, 1956

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Henry D. Hartmann

cc: Dr. Jackman
Dr. Armstrong

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July 24, 1956

The Reverend Henry Hartmann
4 Lincoln Terrace
Caldwell, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Hartmann:

Miss Palmer shared with us yesterday your "Dear Friends" letter of July 13, and we were interested to see that you are in Caldwell, New Jersey.

We all realize that your time is probably pretty well filled up with summer engagements of one kind or another, but if you do get over to New York before you leave we all hope that you will stop in to see "Ed. and Ned," as our friends call us. I was greatly disappointed not to see you when I was in Haines in May, but am very glad that Miss Irvine of our office is to be in Haines in October when you will be back on the field.

You have undoubtedly heard from the Church Committee, and know that the first meeting which Mr. Cox, Mr. Tribus, Dr. Armstrong and I had with any group in Haines was with the church representatives. We went over the proposal with them in detail and, following later conferences with other groups, suggested certain phases of the original proposal be restudied. Basically, we all want adequate provision made for a new site for the church, but wondered specifically whether a small area would not be satisfactory, and also whether another site could not be found for the parking lot which was included in the proposed development.

In connection with the request for the use of more land at the present site, we measured the areas with Mr. Muncester. It was our combined judgment at that time that a depth of 110 feet for the manse and the church should be considered so as not to bring the property line too close to the Haines House buildings, and also that a depth of 50 feet for the parking lot should be adequate for the present for church purposes.

No final decisions as to the Main Street parking lot or the site to be held for a new church have been reached, as these will have to be presented to the Board before that is done we must have the revised survey which Mr. Muncester is now making.

We hope to have the survey in time to reach agreements on the use of more land at the present site this fall after you return to the field so that the church can go ahead with plans to improve the property which it is now using and put the Main Street parking lot in shape for use.

Very sincerely yours,

Katharine E. Gladfelter
Secretary, Department of
Educational and Medical Work

cc: Mr. Jackson
Mr. Armstrong
Mr. Cleworth
Mr. Tribus

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

TO Miss Gladfelter
FROM Dr. J. Earl Jackman
RE:

JUL 27 1956

DATE July 26, 1956

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to the Rev. Henry D. Hartmann about the progress in setting aside a portion of land in Haines for the use of the church and the future decision of reserving another site in case the community grows.

Mr. Hartmann was in the office on July 25th and we discussed this briefly without knowing that you were writing this letter. In our discussion it seemed wise to both of us for our department to join with you in carrying to the Board the request for the specific amount of land to be set aside in the present location for the use of the church, and later, the amount which would be set aside in reserve for the church in a new location. Both of us feel it would be wise to press for these actions as early as possible to establish the recognition of certain specific lands owned by the Board for the use of the church and to let the community know this so that we will have no pressure for these particular lands to be sold as business properties.

JEE:dj
cc : The Rev. Henry D. Hartmann

J. E. Jackman
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Department of Work in Alaska

MEMORANDUM TO THE CABINET OF THE DIVISION OF MISSIONARY OPERATION

From: Department of Educational and Medical Work
Date: September 6, 1956
Category: Property
Project: Haines House, Haines, Alaska
Property for church

THAT the Board approve marking boundaries for the Board owned property in Haines, Alaska now occupied by the Presbyterian Church and manse, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 250 feet and the depth approximately 110 feet with the understanding that the church will be given a use permit for this tract and will be responsible for its proper maintenance, and

THAT the Board lease to the church for a nominal consideration for use as a parking area an adjoining piece of land on Main Street extending roughly between the present church property and Second Avenue if extended, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 211 feet and the depth 50 feet, and that the proper officers of the Board be authorized to sign the necessary papers.

Cabinet Action:

Approved
9/6/56

Sec. _____ Date _____

Mr. Allan Frank

September 28, 1956

Katharine E. Gladfelter

Haines House

Property For Church

The Board of National Missions at its meeting September 27-28, 1956 took the following action on the recommendation of this Department and the Department of Work in Alaska via the Cabinet of the Division of Missionary Operations:

"THAT the Board approve marking boundaries for the Board owned property in Haines, Alaska now occupied by the Presbyterian Church and manse, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 250 feet and the depth approximately 110 feet with the understanding that the church will be given a use permit for this tract and will be responsible for its proper maintenance, and

"THAT the Board lease to the church for a nominal consideration for use as a parking area an adjoining piece of land on Main Street extending roughly between the present church property and Second Avenue if extended, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 211 feet and the depth 50 feet, and that the proper officers of the Board be authorized to sign the necessary papers.

Dr. Jackman is writing Mr. Hartman about this action. Mr. Tribus will carry through on the details, i. e. the marking of boundaries, the use permit and the lease.

You will note that the depth of the ^{tracts} two is what we discussed in May rather than the greater depth the church requested.

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Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

October 1, 1956

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. Henry Hartmann
Box 164
Haines, Alaska

Dear Hank:

The Board has just completed its September Meeting and has taken the following action regarding the proposal to set aside a definite plot of ground which would be considered for the use of the church in its present location.

"That the Board approve marking boundaries for the Board owned property in Haines, Alaska, now occupied by the Presbyterian Church and name, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 250 feet and the depth approximately 110 feet with the understanding that the church will be given a use permit for this tract and will be responsible for its proper maintenance, and

That the Board lease to the church for a nominal consideration for use as a parking area an adjoining piece of land on Main Street extending roughly between the present church property and Second Avenue if extended, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 211 feet and the depth 50 feet, and that the proper officers of the Board be authorized to sign the necessary papers."

The depth of these two tracts is somewhat less than the officers of the church had discussed last spring. The boundaries were arrived at through agreement between Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Frank, Mr. Tribus and Miss Gladfelter who stepped off the areas in question with Mr. Muncaster last May, and it was their consensus that the depths included in the action were preferable in relation to the ground being used by Haines House.

The way is open now for the trustees of the church to draw up an agreement with Mr. Tribus covering this action of the Board in establishing the boundary lines for the church property.

You will note that there isn't anything in this action which covers the proposed new location of the church on Second Avenue. This will have to be taken up as a separate action later. The report of the group who visited Haines in May, shows that they felt a smaller tract than was requested by the officers of the church would be sufficient for the church's need for the future if it did move to the new location. This item should be subject to negotiations and worked out for a definite recommendation to be made to the Board of National Missions.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Jackman

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Department of Work in Alaska

JEW:dj
cc: The Rev. Brian H. Cleworth

Mr. Allan Frank

✓ Miss Gladfelter

Dr. Jackman
Miss Gladfelter
Haines House

September 28, 1956

We are wondering whether you would not like to convey to Mr. Hartmann the following action relative to the Haines property which was taken by the Board at its meeting September 27-28:

"That the Board approve marking boundaries for the Board owned property in Haines, Alaska now occupied by the Presbyterian Church and manse, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 250 feet and the depth approximately 110 feet with the understanding that the church will be given a use permit for this tract and will be responsible for its proper maintenance, and

That the Board lease to the church for a nominal consideration for use as a parking area an adjoining piece of land on Main Street extending roughly between the present church property and Second Avenue if extended, the frontage on Main Street to be approximately 211 feet and the depth 50 feet, and that the proper officers of the Board be authorized to sign the necessary papers."

Since the depth of the two tracts is somewhat less than the Session requested last spring, perhaps you will wish to explain that Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Frank, Mr. Tribus and I stepped off the areas in question with Mr. Muncaster in May and that it was our consensus that the depths included in the action were preferable in relation to the ground being used by Haines House.

I shall appreciate it if you will send copies of your letter to Mr. Frank and to this Department. I assume that Mr. Cleworth will receive one.

Katharine E. Gladfelter

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P.S. Mr. Tribus is handling the survey and other practical details involved in the action.

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November 8, 1956

Dr. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Dr. Jackman:

Thank you for your report on the action of the Board at the September meeting. The trustees read your letter with mixed emotions. We were happy that some definite action was at last taken as to the setting aside of boundaries for the church property.

Face the fact that the depth of 110 feet, which brings the property line just behind the Recreation Hall at a distance of about 20 feet, allows no room for an access road to the oil tanks at the manse. It also loses to the Recreation Hall the entire area that is presently used as a volley ball court, and does not leave enough room for building a similar court in any other section. Since this has been a real activity of our young people, it seems a shame to have to lose that much.

While I realize that Haines House is very lenient in regard to the use of its property for church purposes, our own car has been parked behind the house, using an access road taken off from the road to Haines House. Access to the garage under the house is almost impossible at the present time because of the increased steepness of the grade since the lowering of Main Street. This means that for all practical purposes, were a fence line to be put up along the proposed property line of 110 feet depth, we would lose not only a parking place for our car, but also it would mean very definite hardship for the men when he brought oil. I wonder if some arrangement could be made to provide a right of way as it presently exists from the Haines House driveway to the back of the manse so that the oil tanks can be serviced.

In regard to the depth of property behind the church, I suppose we have very little to say about it. The 110 feet was carried all the way across, although we had asked for 150! It was not in our mind to make that a matter for negotiation, but merely as a statement of our need!

A question arises in my mind, Dr. Jackman, regarding the phrase, "The church will be given a use permit for this tract and will be responsible for its proper maintenance". Does this mean that there will no longer be any repair or maintenance allowance from the Board of National Missions for the upkeep of the property? Does it in any way change the status of the use of the church or of the lands on which it stands that we have enjoyed up to the present time?

④ Now, secondly, in regard to the proposed parking lot. That again was not meant to be a matter for negotiation as far as we were concerned. A property of 211 feet length and a depth of 50 feet actually is not a very useful shape or size for a parking lot. We estimate it would park not more than 25 cars. It seems hardly useful to go to the expense of developing this property for so small a number of cars when the same effort and almost the same expense would be involved in developing twice that area.

⑤ Also we question the matter of leasing this land, even for a nominal consideration. There are two questions involved here. One, is this the manner in which property is ordinarily handled on the part of the Board in relation to its churches? (If so, why isn't the church land leased for the use of the church?) What other churches in the territory under the Board of National Missions lease land for any purpose from the Board of National Missions? (If none other do, then why would we be singled out?) Also, this raises the question of the purpose for which this property was given to the Presbyterian Church, USA. That is, the whole property upon which the church and the other institutional buildings are situated. As I recall my reading, this land was given for the purpose of providing a church and a school for the Chilkat people. The only institution that has carried on this work uninterruptedly over a period of time is the church, which has existed as a church since we were first founded in the days of the Willards. Again, the question which I asked you this summer is pertinent. How did this entire property come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Educational and Medical work; why does it include the church? I wonder if it is fair or even wise to require the church to rent or lease land from the Board of National Missions for its purposes. If the purpose for which we wish the land is one that is unworthy of the work of the Board of National Missions, then our request should be refused flatly. If it is a worthy request and carries out the function of the church as a part of the work of the Board of the Presbyterian Church in the community, then it seems to me that our request should be honored and encouraged. I wonder to what purpose the leading was added in the action of the Board. Perhaps you cannot answer these questions; I am not asking them of you personally, but asking through you those who are responsible for these decisions on the part of the Board of National Missions.

⑥ Thirdly, in regard to the other property, the five acre tract (more or less) that we requested from the Board, about which action has not yet been taken, we are deeply concerned that the entire amount that we requested be set aside. To this end, the officers of the church ask now much is the Board of National Missions willing to grant us, because you hinted in your letter that the group who visited Haines in May, as you say "Felt a smaller tract than was requested by the officers of the church would be sufficient". We do not agree that it would be sufficient, and we would like to ask through you how much it would cost us to buy land from the Board of National Missions to make up the difference between that which they think we should have and that which we know we should have.

Or, along a stiller vein, would the Board of National Missions have at its disposal any funds by which it could help us to purchase a similar tract of land in some other location if it feels that we are unwise in asking for land which the Board of National Missions already owns?

Dr. J. Earl Jackman

11/8/56

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Admittedly, Dr. Jackman, our church has no money at the present time, and yet we are carrying on as extensive a work as we feel we must carry on. We are facing a tremendous future in this community in spite of what Mr. Cox and some of the others seem to have felt. Even as I dictate this letter, I hear the sound of blasting as the 35 acre tract for the new oil refinery is being cleared. This, as I see it, is only the beginning of future development in this valley. Someday this church will be a great church, great in size and I trust great in spiritual power. We would hope therefore, that no obstacle be put in our way when no obstacle is necessary, and if it is a matter of money on the part of the Board of National Missions, if it is merely that they wish to get income from the property that we have requested, then we would like the way to be cleared so that we can get the property, even if we have to pay for it.

It is our definite feeling that just as the church has been the continuing work in this area, so it will always be the continuing work. The church will be active in the Chilkat valley long after plans have been made and changed at the Mission, long after its present work has passed into something else, and we feel that in time to come, we must have the tools with which to work.

Sincerely,


Henry D. Hartmann
Pastor

H/r

copies to Miss Katherine Gladfelter; Rev. Brian Cleworth

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Mr. Tribus and Dr. Jackman
Miss Gladfelter
Haines House, Haines Alaska

November 26, 1956

This is to record the agreements reached in our conference this afternoon relative to the three points raised by Mr. Hartmann in his letter of November 3 to Dr. Jackman, copy of which was sent to this office.

1--Access Road

Mr. Lancaster will be asked in consultation with Mr. Frank and Mr. Hartmann to lay out an access road behind the recreation hall to the oil storage tanks at the ransse and the ransse garage. His lay out will include a notation as to the depth of the area between Main Street and this access road and also indicate the amount of space between the access road and the executive's residence at Haines House.

2--Proposed Parking Area

The parking depth will be held to fifty feet since major parking will presumably be done by citizens of Haines on week-days. The agreement should be with the city which would be expected to carry liability insurance. The agreement should provide for use by the church of the parking area on Sundays.

3--New Church Site

The area desired by the church will be held for the present but without any final commitment as to the total amount to be finally used by the church. In other words, final decisions will depend on the plans of the church, the way in which the community develops, etc.

Katharine H. Gladfelter

KID:tc
cc: Mr. Frank

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Allan H. Frank November 26, 1956

Katharine E. Gladfelter

Haines House Haines House Survey

The enclosed copy of my memo to Dr. Jackman and Mr. Tribus will bring you up to date on three of the items which we discussed today in connection with the Haines House Survey.

The letter from Mr. Hartmann which is referred to pointed out that the depth of 140 feet for the area being used by the church would not allow room for an access road to the oil tanks at the manse or for the manse garage. He has also mentioned that the original proposal would deprive the church of the area now used as a volley ball court.

Since the survey does not indicate, in this particular area, the number of feet involved, it seemed necessary to ask Mr. Mincaster after consulting you and Mr. Hartmann, to indicate where an access road might run and to give us a notation about the distances involved.

Dr. Jackman is writing Mr. Hartmann about the results of our discussion, so this note is merely some advance confidential information so that you will be prepared when Mr. Mincaster talks with you.

KEG:tc

J. H. H. H.

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

December 3, 1956

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The Rev. Henry Hartmann
Presbyterian Church
Haines, Alaska

Dear Hank:

Miss Gladfelter, Mr. Tribus and I have had a conference over the questions you have raised in your letter about the amount of land set aside for use of the church in Haines. Under figure of 110 ft. depths for use of the church and manse was arrived at; it was not realized that this would cut off church buildings from an open access road through the oil storage tanks at the manse and Rec building. This figure was decided upon as a possible halfway mark between the manse and the Executive cottage. As a result of our conference, Mr. Lancaster will be asked, in consultation with you and Mr. Frank, to lay out space for an access road and give us a recommendation on how much additional depth will be needed for this purpose. This request will be sent by Mr. Tribus or Miss Gladfelter to Mr. Lancaster so that you should get in touch with him, if he does not do so with you, within a reasonable time to work it out together.

On the question of the amount of space available for the new church site, there is still a question whether the amount equal to the five acres will be needed. If the city grows to 10,000 or 15,000 population then it is conceivable that this much land may be needed for church purposes. However, if the community does not grow to that size, it is doubtful whether five acres will be needed for all practical purposes. Miss Gladfelter and Mr. Tribus have expressed their willingness to hold the tract which has been marked off in Mr. Lancaster's plot for the present without any definite commitment of the amount of land which may be turned over to the church for the new location of church buildings. There is a willingness, then, to hold the plot as outlined but to leave the final decision for some future date when it can be more nearly determined what may happen to the progress in the community.

You have raised the question why the space of 50 ft. depths along Main Street for parking purposes would be granted to the church on the basis of a lease or use permit. This action was taken because there is a matter of legal responsibility and liability involved. We all recognize the fact that if this space to a depth of 50 ft. is opened up (or to whatever depths) that space will be freely used by the people of Haines for business purposes in the community. The church requested it and the Board granted it primarily for the use of parking in connection with church services and meetings but we know it will be used by the people at Haines at other times. If there should be any accident on this space, there is a legal and financial responsibility involved. The Board does not want to be in a position of

Rev. Henry Hartmann

December 3, 1956

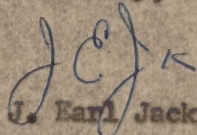
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carrying this legal and financial responsibility without some protection. The action was taken to grant a use permit to the church which, when signed by the trustees, will make the church liable for any accident or damage on the property. This would give the trustees of the church the responsibility for carrying liability insurance to protect itself for the future. In our discussion together, we felt it would be wise for us to recognize from the start that this will be a municipal parking lot on Main Street and it would be far better for the church and the Board for us to grant a use permit to the Town Council to the City Council and have them take the liability responsibility for anything that might happen on the lot with the provision that the congregation of the church will have full and free use of the parking facilities in connection with the services at the church. We think it would be well for you to present this to your trustees and then to present it to the Haines City Council because the lot will be used more by the people of the community than by people attending the services at the church.

A question has been raised about the depth (50 ft.) of land released for the use of the church in parking. It was felt that this amount of land is sufficient for the immediate future. If and when the time comes that a larger space may be needed in this particular location for the congregation of the church, there is nothing to prevent the trustees of the church from asking for the use of more land later. Let us take care of our present needs now and be ready for whatever decisions are necessary when additional needs arise.

The above items will give us something to work on now. Do not hesitate to write us again if something else arises during the program of development.

Sincerely,


J. Earl Jackman

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cc: B. Cleworth
Miss Gldfelter
Mr. Tribus

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February 18, 1960

RE: HAINES, ALASKA

Mr. John D. Dobler
Dobler Insurance Agency
P.O. Box 162
Haines, Alaska

Dear Mr. Dobler:

At the time that we made the survey known as the Presbyterian Mission Plat, which plat is filed for record in Haines and is dated August 19, 1957, the Board set aside a piece of ground for the future use of the Haines church. The area of said piece of ground may be roughly described as follows: bounded on the North by the row of lots in Block "C" on the Southerly side of Willard Street; on the West by Third Avenue; on the South by the Haines Highway Cut Off; on the East by Second Avenue.

I am happy to know that you are a Trustee of our Presbyterian church. Now that Haines School is closed, there has got to be a lot of clear thinking on the part of the Haines church. In the first place you are probably aware that the church does not have title to the land on which it now stands. Before the church can qualify to receive title even to the land on which it now stands, it will be necessary for it to incorporate in accordance with the laws of the State of Alaska and with the consent and permission of Presbytery.

Speaking as an individual and not binding the Board, I think it would be well for the church first to take title to the land on which it stands and on which its manse stands. This would require a survey in order to obtain a description and a deed of conveyance from the Board. Again as a preliminary step, the church must incorporate. Secondly, the church should be prepared to carry liability insurance and fire insurance on its own building and at its own expense.

Absence of the support of Haines School is going to present a real challenge to your fine minister and his wife and I sincerely hope that they are able to carry on. It should mean that the citizenry of Haines should get behind the church to a far greater extent than has been true in the past.

I think it quite likely that my assistant, Mr. William H. Irvine, and I hope one of the Board members, will be able to go to Haines during the summer months. This is not definite but I believe quite possible. In the meantime my officewill be happy to cooperate with you and I again thank you for all that you are doing.

Sincerely yours,

Lucien E. Tribus
Legal Counsel

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RE: HAINES, ALASKA

(Haines Presbyterian Church)

Mr. John D. Dobler
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Dear Mr. Dobler:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 12, 1960 regarding the possible transfer by the Board of a measured amount of land now occupied by the Presbyterian Church, about to become a corporation.

As I have explained previously, a request for the transfer of a church must come not only from the church but from the Presbytery. These requests will be acted upon by the Board and, if accepted, the property will be appraised and a request made for the execution of a mortgage in the amount of the appraised value of the property. This mortgage will be in the nature of a mortgage grant which is due at the end of five years but may be renewed for succeeding five-year periods if the church is unable to pay same. The church is required to carry fire insurance at its own expense in the amount of at least 80% of the insurable value of the building and to name the Board as beneficiary in such policy of fire insurance so long as the mortgage remains a lien.

I do not believe that the additional land will be conveyed to the church until such time as the church is able to use it. It will of course be necessary to have a survey made of the current church property and for the survey to be filed so that a conveyance can be made from it. I would not, however, have the church undertake this expense until the Board has acted upon an official request.

With kind personal regards and assuring you of my cooperation in this important matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lucien H. Tribus
Legal Counsel

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